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## ODD DAMAGE SUIT THROWN OUT BY COURT OF APPEALS

The Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals refused yesterday an appeal in the case of R. E. Brandt vs. the Western Union Telegraph Company, petitioned for by Brandt's attorneys, and threw out of court a very unique case. Brandt appealed from a decision of the Circuit Court of Campbell county, in which his suit for \$500 damages was lost.

In the statement of his case, Brandt sets forth that on a certain Sunday he drove his horse and buggy to church at the town of Lawyers, hitching his animal to a tree during the service. While he was within the church some practical joker unlatched his lines from the bit and fastened them to rings in the harness. When he drove away after church, without having discovered the joke, his horse took flight, ran away, and while he was pulling vainly

## MAY CHANGE DATE

Congressional Primary Will Be Discussed by Committee To-Day.

The Third Congressional Democratic Committee will meet this morning at 10 o'clock in the State Library building to discuss the question of changing the date of the congressional primary from July 15, to some day in August. Chairman E. L. C. Scott is uncertain in view of the new Byrd primary law, whether it will be necessary in order to conform to this law to postpone the date of the contest between former Governor Andrew Jackson Montague and Captain John Lamb.

The members of the committee which will meet this morning are: E. L. C. Scott, of Hanover, chairman; Clyde W. Saunders, of Richmond; Manley H. Barnes, of New River; Dr. J. W. Fisher, of Chesterfield; Simon Solomon, of Henrico.

Contract to Build Road. Contract for constructing about five miles of road for the James and Meherrin Rivers, between the mouth of the James River and the mouth of the Meherrin River, by the State of Virginia, was awarded yesterday to the James River and Meherrin River Road Building Company, of Lynchburg, Va., and London, Ky. The contract is for the construction of a road from the mouth of the James River to the mouth of the Meherrin River, and from the mouth of the Meherrin River to the mouth of the Roanoke River, and from the mouth of the Roanoke River to the mouth of the James River.

Qualifies as Executor. Agnes Bonaldi qualified yesterday in the Probate Court as administratrix of Frank Bonaldi. The estate is valued at \$2,000.

Marriage License. A marriage license was issued yesterday to the Rev. J. E. Jenkins, a foreman of the Street Cleaning Department, in the marriage of his daughter Jenkins was married from a charge of threatening to assault Palmer with a shovel.

Negro Fined \$10. George Palmer, colored, was fined \$10 and costs yesterday morning in Police court for interfering with J. E. Jenkins, a foreman of the Street Cleaning Department, in the discharge of his duties. Jenkins was dismissed from a charge of threatening to assault Palmer with a shovel.

Petition in Bankruptcy. Charles J. Burchard, merchant of this city, filed yesterday in the United States District Court a petition in voluntary bankruptcy. His liabilities are listed at \$1,000, with assets amounting to \$600 of this amount \$100 is claimed under the exemption law.

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UNITED STATES DEPOSITORY

## JAMES RIVER STILL RISING M'ILWAINE GETS ON TRAIL OF MORE

Crest of Freshet Expected Early This Morning.

## MUCH DAMAGE TO NEW BRIDGE

Water Floods Wharves and Streets in Wholesale Section.

Lacking nearly two feet of the maximum height reached in the March freshets, James River, swelled by rains throughout the upper watershed, swept over the wharves and lower parts of Richmond yesterday. Yesterday morning work about the new Mayo Bridge was washed away, basements were flooded, and some damage was done along the river front. The water was still rising slowly at midnight, having then blocked travel in Cary Street between Second and Seventh streets, and down itself in the culverts beside the Old Market at Seventeenth and Franklin Streets. The United States Weather Bureau issued late last night an official statement predicting a maximum height at Richmond of seventeen feet on the Weather Bureau gauge, to be reached at daybreak. It was predicted that the river would remain stationary for an hour or more and then fall steadily, going within its banks to-night or to-morrow morning. Reports to the Weather Bureau showed that the freshet was the result of an abnormal rainfall throughout the Upper James River valley. The fall at Buchanan registered 5 inches at Lynchburg, 3.42 inches at Charlottesville, 2.75, and at Columbia, 2.75. Reports indicate a serious freshet in the Rappahannock at Charlottesville, with much damage to the wooden mills property.

Falling at Columbia. The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway gauge at Columbia at 11:30 o'clock last night showed a height of 27 feet and falling slowly, the maximum there having been 28.5 yesterday afternoon. Passengers reaching here yesterday morning on the Old Dominion Steamship Company were taken off in boats, and nothing except hand baggage was brought ashore. The vessel sailed last night with passengers for Norfolk without attempting to unload a cargo of freight, for the Old Dominion wharves were then covered with four or five feet of muddy water. Warnings on Sunday night had given the officers time to move all perishable freight, so that the loss was reduced to a minimum. There was some scurrying yesterday morning in the railway yards on both sides of the river to move cars above the high water mark, for early in the day the Chesterfield flats below South Richmond were flooded. Car service with Pullman along Lester Street was blocked, though a walkway was opened by the city along the embankment for new Lester Street and a shuttle service maintained by the cars.

Bridge Is Injured. Warehouses along the water front were prompt to take warning, and for the third time this year moved all goods liable to be injured by water above the danger line. Probably the most serious damage at this point has been to the contractors for the new bridge. Wooden framework for the concrete arches between two of the piers was carried away, and may be found strewn along the river banks above the danger line. Probably the most serious damage at this point has been to the contractors for the new bridge. Wooden framework for the concrete arches between two of the piers was carried away, and may be found strewn along the river banks above the danger line. Probably the most serious damage at this point has been to the contractors for the new bridge. Wooden framework for the concrete arches between two of the piers was carried away, and may be found strewn along the river banks above the danger line.

Old Bridge In Danger. Always apprehensive, even in times of low water, of the Lester Bridge, the temporary wooden framework under which is regarded as doubly dangerous in times of high water, the number of watchmen was doubled and the Engineer's office maintained careful guard to see that the only passengers through there between South Richmond and the heart of the city is not carried away.

Except to contractors working along the water front, the monetary loss in Richmond from the freshet will be small, as, earned by two previous experiences this year, when houses and shippers were prompt to move out of basements and low levels at the first note of warning.

Hip Fractured by Fall. Albert Jones, colored, was brought to Richmond yesterday afternoon from Bowling Green, Va., and taken to the Virginia Hospital, suffering from a fractured hip, sustained when he fell from a ladder while at work on a dwelling. Jones, whose home is in Richmond, lives in the rear of 1210 Park Avenue.

Board of Aldermen To Meet. The Board of Aldermen will meet to-night at 8 o'clock in regular monthly session.

## Mr. Harris

President of the Illinois Bankers' Association, said last week that the country that is not worth a good road is not worth living in.

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## M'ILWAINE GETS ON TRAIL OF MORE

Fifteen Additional Manuscripts Owned by State Located in New York.

## THAT SALE HELD UP, TOO

Question of Ownership to Be Determined by Commission of Three.

Fifteen valuable manuscripts from the Americana of the Loring estate, in addition to the eighty-four already located by State Librarian M'Ilwaine, were picked out of the second scheduled sale of the famous historian's collection by Dr. M'Ilwaine yesterday, and the attorneys in New York representing Virginia were instructed by letter to hold the fifteen out of the sale. In order to dispose advantageously of the enormously valuable Americana left by Mr. Loring, it was necessary for the Anderson Auction Company to advertise three separate sales.

The first sale, a catalogue of which fell into the hands of Dr. M'Ilwaine and caused the Governor to dispute the title to eighty-four of the manuscripts, took place on May 8, with the disputed papers withdrawn. By agreement with the heirs, the challenged papers will not be put up at auction until the question of ownership has been finally established. The catalogue of the second sale, which is published to take place on May 20 and 21, was put into Dr. M'Ilwaine's hands while he was in New York, with the request that he examine it thoroughly to see if any of the papers offered for sale were claimed by the State of Virginia.

Found Fifteen More. Upon examination, Dr. M'Ilwaine found fifteen numbers, including documents from the pen of William Byrd, Queen Anne of England, Sir Guy Carleton, John Armstrong and Revolutionary Army officers, which he believed are rightfully the property of Virginia. A complete list of these fifteen letters was mailed yesterday morning to the State Librarian to O'Gorman, Battle Marshall, attorneys representing Virginia in this matter, who will ask the Anderson Auction Company to withdraw them from sale.

The third and last sale of Loring's Americana will be held sometime during the fall. Dr. M'Ilwaine and the Loring heirs do not know how many of the papers intended for the third sale will be claimed by the State of Virginia, but before the catalogue is printed, a conference will take place between Dr. M'Ilwaine and the Anderson Auction Company for the purpose of examining the papers to be offered at auction.

Including the letters picked out yesterday morning, Dr. M'Ilwaine has now disputed the title of the Loring letters to ninety-nine of the most priceless documents in Americana. The value of these manuscripts is estimated anywhere from \$5,000 to \$10,000, and represent the most valuable collection of Americana in the country.

It was announced yesterday by the State Librarian that the title to the disputed manuscripts would be determined by a commission of three men. One member of this commission will be appointed by the Governor of Virginia, another by the Loring heirs, and the third will be named by the first two commissioners. To this commission will be presented the evidence collected by Dr. M'Ilwaine and Assistant Attorney General Davis, and both parties to the litigation have agreed to abide by the decision of the commission. Governor Mann has not yet selected the commissioner to be appointed by him.

While not disputing of finding of circumstantial and material evidence to uphold the claims of the State, Dr. M'Ilwaine will depend almost solely on the internal matter of the papers to establish the title of Virginia to them. State documents, such as many letters from Queen Anne to the Governor of Virginia, letters from army officers to the Minister of War, could never pass from the archives of the State except by theft or pillage in time of war. They are never offered for sale.

## COLLECTION RECEIPTS

Revenue Department Shows Big Gain for Month. Receipts in excess of \$500,000 are reported by Deputy Collector G. McGavock, of the local United States Internal Revenue office for the month ending April 30. The actual figures for that period are \$549,570.38. Receipts for the same month last year were \$497,117.42, and the balance in favor of April, 1912, of \$52,452.96.

By far the largest part of April's receipts were derived from the internal revenue tax on manufactured tobacco and distilled spirits.

Dr. Michaux on Icebergs. "Icebergs as Related to the Titanic Disaster" was the subject of a lecture by Dr. Jacob Michaux at the railroad Young Men's Christian Association to-night at 8:15 o'clock, to which a railroad men with their families and friends are invited. It is free.

The lecture will be followed by a farewell reception to Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Watkins, who are to leave for Haver, N. C., where Mr. Watkins takes up the work as general secretary of the railroad association there.

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## Choice, Beginning This Morning, \$15 GANS-RADY COMPANY

## SAWED OFF LIMB ON WHICH HE SAT

Negro Falls While Pruning Tree and Dies in a Few Minutes From His Injuries.

When he sawed off a limb, on which he was sitting, from the trunk of a tree yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock, Augustus Davis, a negro coachman, fell about fifteen feet to the ground and sustained injuries from which he died in a few minutes.

The accident occurred in front of Davis's home, 518 North Third Street. He had been at work pruning the tree of dead limbs. Apparently he had intended to saw the limb through the trunk of the tree, but he was sitting on it, and when he sawed it off, he fell. He was sitting on the limb, and when he sawed it off, he fell. He was sitting on the limb, and when he sawed it off, he fell.

Coroner Taylor viewed the body and directed that it be turned over to relatives. There will be no inquest. Davis was fifty-eight years old.

## HIS CASE GOES OVER

Alleged Assault of Car Crew Will Get Hearing on Saturday. At the request of counsel for both sides, Justice Crutcher, in Police Court yesterday morning, continued the case against Ulysses Stokes, colored, charged with assaulting the crew of a Richmond and Henrico Railway car, until Saturday. Stokes is alleged to have been one of the members of a negro mob which attacked Motorman L. Charles and Conductor B. N. Scheraga. The case will be prosecuted by Kirk Mathews, counsel for the railway, while Stokes has retained Gilbert K. Pollock to defend him.

## CHAMBER SMOKER

Laughlin and Starke Speak at Jefferson Hotel To-Night. Arrangements in detail were completed yesterday for the Chamber of Commerce smoker, which will be held in the Jefferson Hotel auditorium to-night. The chief of the evening will be an address by Prof. J. Lawrence Laughlin, of Chicago, on "Currency and Bankers." It will be followed by Ashton Starke, who will speak on "Richmond's Work."

The smoker will begin at 8:30 o'clock, and the committee hopes that the usual refreshments will be served to the members and invited guests.

## WILL PICK BEST HIGHWAY ROUTE

Pathfinding Trip to Washington Will Start From Richmond on May 20.

In order to get some idea of the most feasible and economical route between Richmond and Washington members of the executive committee of the Richmond-Washington Highway Association will leave here on May 20, on a pathfinding tour to Washington, under the guidance of A. L. Westgard, official pathfinder of the American Automobile Association. Among those who will make the trip will be: Henry W. Anderson, John Stewart Bryan, Preston Holvin, John C. Easley, State Highway Commissioner P. S. Julien Wilson and others.

The pathfinders will go from this city to Washington by one route and return by another, so that they may, as far as possible, familiarize themselves with conditions. Mr. Wilson will make observations along the routes, and will figure out the advantages and disadvantages of each with regard to cost in the way of grades; the price and accessibility of materials. In this way, the committee hopes to come as near the cost of the highway as would be possible without making an actual survey. The cars will be run without idea of making a quick trip and ample time will be run without idea of making a quick trip and ample time will be taken for observations. Every member of the executive committee is expected to take part in the tour.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon this chairman of the canvassing committees will meet at luncheon and inaugurate the first actual campaign for funds. Though the amount already raised has been most gratifying, a real concerted effort has not yet been made. The promoters believe that after to-day's meeting, the requisite \$100,000 will be pledged in a short while, and that the highway will be an assured thing.

## DRAWING OF JURY FIXED BY STATUTE

Law Provides Method Which Must Be Followed—Why Some Serve Often.

To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir,—Would it give you much trouble to state in detail for the information of the public just how our jury, petit and grand, are selected? Incidentally, without the slightest lack of cordial respect for all concerned, some of us would like to know why and how the same persons are so often found on juries, and particularly on grand juries? I do not believe one in a thousand of our citizens knows anything whatever about the process of selection, and I hope you will give the information completely and in detail.

Once each year, in either June, July or August, the judge of the Hustings Court is required by law to select forty-eight citizens of intelligence to serve as grand jurors for twelve months. The law prescribes that a grand jury shall consist of not more than nine nor less than six jurors. The jurors are taken from wards or precincts in proportion to population. It has been the practice of the Hustings Court to have a grand jury of seven, each from one ward of the city. The seven men rotate in monthly service so that none performs more duty than another.

It has been the custom to select practically the same men for the grand jury each year, because of their familiarity with the work for persons who know nothing of the duties required would consume too much time in disposing of cases. Once each year the court selects 600 names from the citizens for the petit jury. Each is written upon a separate piece of paper, and all are placed in a box. From these names twenty are drawn each month.

A full jury consists of sixteen men. When they are summoned into court the judge frequently excuses several who offer reasonable excuses or who are exempt. Nearly every month this leaves several vacancies. Under these circumstances the judge will hand a list of names of bystanders to the clerk and they will be summoned. The same men, most of whom are out of employment, generally frequent the court, and this fact accounts for the same men being placed on the jury many times each year.

## THE CRIMINAL MATCH

Commissioner Button Will Tell Again of His Great Danger. Joseph Button, State Commissioner of Insurance, is gathering notes for a paper on "The Criminal Match," which he has been invited to read before the annual convention of Fire Marshals to be held in Detroit July 11-12. Colonel Burton, who worked hard to have the last Legislature banish the ordinary sulphur match from the State, has a wealth of material at hand for such a paper.

Following the Fire Marshals' Convention Colonel Button will go on to Spokane, Wash., to attend the annual convention of Insurance Commissioners, to be held in that city July 23-24-25. The Virginia commissioner, who was president of last year's convention, is now a member of the executive committee of the association. Conservation of property and human life will be the vital topics of both conventions.

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## LAMB'S FRIENDS MEET TO-NIGHT

Called Together to Organize Club, With Vice-Presidents From All Wards.

Friends of Captain John Lamb will hold a meeting at 8 o'clock to-night in Murphy's Hotel, annex, for the purpose of forming an organization in the interests of his re-election to Congress. A friend of Captain Lamb's stated that those interested in his re-election are invited to attend this meeting. The conference will only last about an hour, and any one desiring to attend the meeting to be held under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce, at the Jefferson Hotel, will be able to leave in time to do so.

On Saturday, Captain Lamb opened headquarters in rooms 17 and 19 Murphy's Hotel, from which place he will conduct his canvass for re-election. It is understood that to-night a Lamb Club will be organized, and that a president will be chosen, and that vice-presidents from each ward will be selected, while an executive committee from each precinct in the city will be appointed.

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